

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Yasuhiko (nmi) Aoki et al.
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Confirmation No.: 3535
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATING
OPTICAL TRAFFIC BETWEEN RING NETWORKS

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C. F. R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed September 20, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the Application as follows.